



**DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL
& GRAVITY RAILROAD**

***100th Anniversary
D&H Symposium &
Gala Celebration***

Saturday, November 7, 1998
at Hunts Landing, Matamoras, Pennsylvania

On the weekend of November 7-8, 1998, the *D&H Transportation Heritage Council* will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the last coal boat to use the Delaware and Hudson Canal. Anthracite mined in Pennsylvania's Lackawanna Valley was transported over the Moosic Mountains by gravity railroad to Honesdale. There it was transferred to boats and hauled on the D&H Canal to Rondout, near Kingston, New York. The D&H Canal operated for 70 years, from 1828 to 1898.

Two days of events! Starting with the Symposium during the day on Saturday, a Reception with musical entertainment and a Gala Ball will follow in the evening. On Sunday, many of the canal and gravity railroad sites will be open to the public as part of the anniversary celebration.

The Symposium is an all-day program full of interesting D&H topics presented by enthusiastic experts. Registration includes a symposium tote bag, handouts, and a special issue of *Canal Currents*, a publication of the Pennsylvania Canal Society.

Exhibits on the D&H - Art, photography, and much more including book signings and sales, organization displays, hand-outs, and souvenirs.

Films and videos on the D&H - gravity railroad and the canal will be an additional option.

Lots of Food! The day starts with muffins, Danish pastries, juice, tea & coffee at registration. Lunch will be a buffet with a choice of desserts. Afternoon break will include sodas and Hunt's Landing's famous, outrageous chocolate chip cookies.

A Reception featuring light refreshments and musical entertainment will follow the Symposium. A program of canal songs will be presented by folk singers Rich Bala & Bob Lush.

The Gala Dinner-Dance caps off the day with an evening of celebration. There will be more great food, a brief program and dancing to the music of the *Blue Rays*. ***Dress: "D&H Formal" or period costume is encouraged!!***

For More Information: Call the Minisink Valley Historical Society at (914) 856-2375 or The Century House Historical Society at (914) 658-9900 or visit the **D&H Transportation Heritage Council's** web site at <http://www.minisink.org/dhcgrsm.htm>.

D&H Transportation Heritage Council

The Trek, the 100th Anniversary Symposium and Gala Ball are projects of the ***D&H Transportation Heritage Council***, a partnership organization committed to promoting appreciation and preservation of the historic resources of the Delaware and Hudson Canal and Gravity Railroad System and the Pennsylvania Coal Company Gravity Railroad. Portions of the D&H Canal have been designated as a ***National Historic Landmark***.

Partnership members are public, private, and non-profit local, state and federal organizations, and individuals. In Pennsylvania they are: the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum, Carbondale; Waymart Area Historical Society; Wayne County Historical Society and Museum, Honesdale; Northeast Pennsylvania Audubon Society; Pennsylvania Canal Society; and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

New York organizations include the Town of Lumberland Historian; Minisink Valley Historical Society, Port Jervis; Neversink Valley Area Museum, Cuddebackville; D&H Historical Society and Museum, High Falls; the Century House Historical Society, Rosendale; and the D&H Canal Heritage Corridor Alliance, Ulster County.

Other supporters include the Canal Society of New Jersey; National Canal Museum, Easton, PA; Pike County Chamber of Commerce, Pocono Mountains Vacation Bureau; and the National Park Service.

Symposium Program

November 7, 1998 at Hunts Landing
Matamoras, Pennsylvania

7:30-9:00 a.m. – Registration and Exhibits

*9:00 a.m. – Greetings and Symposium
Program*

Why Canals? An Overview of Anthracite Canals

By Lance E. Metz, Historian, National Canal
Museum

Break

Significance of the Delaware and Hudson Canal and its Gravity Railroads

By Larry Lowenthal, Historian, Author,
National Park Service

What's Happening Now with the D&H?

Peter Osborne, Executive Director, Minisink
Valley Historical Society

12:00 – 1:30 p.m. – Buffet Luncheon

The Legacy of the Delaware and Hudson Canal and its Gravity Railroads

Keynote Speaker – Donald M. Sayanga,
Historian and Independent Consultant,
Wire & Steel Rope Industries

Afternoon Program Choices

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Films and Videos to be Shown in Lobby

Gravity Railroad Film
Historic Footage of the D&H Canal
Roebling Bridge Restoration Video

An Armchair Tour of the D&H

David G. Barber, P.E.
Author of Canal Hiking Guides

~ or ~

The Meaning of National Historic Landmark Designation

Dr. Robert Grumet, Archeologist,
Author, National Park Service

Break

Analysis of the Archbald Papers

Michael Knies, Archivist,
University of Scranton

~ or ~

A Report on the Trek ~ Analysis of D&H Trail and Tourism Opportunities

Gene Woock, National Park Service

*3:30-4:30 p.m. – Roundtable Discussion –
What the D&H Did and Didn't do for
the Region*

Reception

Featuring light refreshments, cash bar, D&H
exhibits, and a program of canal songs
and musical entertainment by
Rich Bala & Bob Lusk

Gala Dinner-Dance Celebration

7:00 p.m. – Dinner and Program

9:00 p.m. – Grand Promenade

9:00 p.m. to Midnight – Dancing
Music by the Blue Rays

***"D&H Formal" or Period Costume
encouraged!!***

Registration for The Whole Shebang!!!

(Symposium, Reception, Entertainment, Dinner-dance)

Early registration until October 1, 1998

Organization Discount (member & guest)

Super Saver Discount for organization

members (and guest) who register early!

____ Persons @ \$75.00 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$70.00 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$70.00 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$65.00 = \$ _____.00

Symposium Registration

Early registration until October 1, 1998

Organization Discount (member & guest)

Super Saver Discount for organization

members (and guest) who register early!

____ Persons @ \$40.00 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$37.50 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$37.50 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$35.00 = \$ _____.00

Reception Registration (for Symposium Registrants)

(Refreshments & Entertainment)

____ Persons @ \$5.00 = \$ _____.00

Gala Celebration Registration

(Reception, Entertainment and Dinner-Dance)

Early registration until October 1, 1998

Organization Discount (member & guest)

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____ Persons @ \$35.00 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$32.50 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$32.50 = \$ _____.00

____ Persons @ \$30.00 = \$ _____.00

Registration Fee(s)**Amount Enclosed** _____

Additional contributions are tax deductible and are welcomed. You can help the D&H Transportation Heritage Council promote the preservation and appreciation of the historic resources of the D&H.

*No refunds after October 1, 1998.**Please remember to make your own arrangements for lodging.*

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GROUP AFFILIATION	
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Make checks payable to: "Symposium - Minisink Valley Historical Society". Send completed registration forms and checks to: Minisink Valley Historical Society, Post Office Box 659, Port Jervis, NY 12771. For additional information call (914) 856-2375 or go to <http://www.minisink.org>

Registration

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Saturday, November 7, 1998
Best Western Inn, Hunts Landing, Matamoras, PA

Registration options:

Go for the Whole Shebang!!! You get it all: The symposium, souvenir tote bag, exhibits, reception, entertainment, gala dinner program, dancing until midnight, and more food than you can imagine.

Registration for the Symposium Includes:

Lots of food! A symposium commemorative tote bag, lots of handouts, and a special issue of *Canal Currents*, a publication of the Pennsylvania Canal Society are all included! Registration for the reception is extra.

Registration for Gala Dinner Dance

Includes: The Reception with light refreshments, cash bar, exhibits, musical entertainment by Rich Bala & Bob Lusk. The buffet dinner with lots of food, program and dancing to the music of the Blue Rays, follows.

Don't Be Disappointed - Register Early - Space is Limited!

The event will provide an opportunity to meet and mingle with canal buffs, D&H fans and history enthusiasts. Special symposium room rates at Hunts Landing, call 717-491-2400.